1	2	3	4
25.	Chhattisgarh	700.21	1363.05
26.	Jharkhand	520.47	80.34
27.	Uttaranchal	40.60	968.77
	Total	9050.54	14359.22

Change of criteria for providing drinking water in Rajasthan

†374. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the categories of villages and hamlets (dhaniva) covered for drinking water and the criteria thereof;

(b) whether the criteria is appropriate in the present circumstances in view of extravagant of the time and the labour;

(c) whether the Government of Rajasthan has been requesting to change this criteria; and

(d) whether Government would consider to changes in the existing criteria?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) and (b) The categories of villages and hamlets covered for Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP) are Not Covered (NC)/ No Safe Source (NSS) habitation and Partially Covered (PC) habitations. NC/NSS habitations do not have any drinking water source/point within 1.6 km of the habitations in plains or 100 meter elevation in hilly areas, or which have a water source but are affected with quality problems such as excess salinity, iron, fluoride, arsenic or other toxic elements or biologically contaminated. Habitations which have a safe drinking water source/point (either private or public) within 1.6 km. in plains and 100 meter in hill areas but the capacity of the system ranges between 10 lpcd to 40 lpcd, are categorised as "Partially Covered (PC)".

(c) and (d) Based on consultations with all States, including Rajasthan, the criteria for rural water supply has been changed with effect from 01.04.2009. The National objective is to provide every rural person with adequate water for drinking, cooking and other domestic basic needs on a sustainable basis. This basic requirement should meet certain minimum water quality standards and be available at all times, in all situations, in which it is readily and conveniently accessible.

Allocation of funds for rural development to Uttarakhand

†375. SHRI BHAGAT SINGH KOSHYARI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.